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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE SHOWA CORPORATION **Examiner: BURCH** Serial Number: 10/736150 Art Unit: 3683 Filed: 12/15/2003 amendment approved For: HYDRAULIC SHOCK ABSORBING APPARATUS OF VEHICLE **Docket Number:** 13712 **RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICIAL ACTION Commissioner for Patents** P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313

Madam:

This communication is responsive to your Final Office Action dated 2 May 2007, having a shortened statutory period for reply set to expire 2 August 2007. Accordingly this response is timely filed on 27 July 2007.